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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-3, 5-14, 16-22 and 24-28 remain in the application and stand finally rejected. Claims 4, 15 and 23 are canceled herein. Claims 4-7, 15-20 and 23-25 are objected to for depending from rejected base claims. Claims 1, 2, 12, 16, 21 and 24 are amended herein. No new matter has been added.

The Specification is amended to update the status of related applications. No new matter is added.

Claims 4-7, 15-20 and 23-25 are objected to for depending from a rejected base claims, but are indicated to be allowable, if rewritten in independent form. Claims 1, 12 and 21 are amended herein to include the recitations of claims 4, 15 and 23 and so, are rewritten in independent form as claims 1, 12 and 21. Accordingly, claims 1, 12 and 21 are allowable. No new matter has been added.

Additionally, all remaining dependent claims are amended to depend from amended independent claims 1, 12 and 21, respectively. Thus, the amendments of rejected claims 1, 12 and 21 obviates the need for any discussion of the rejection of claims 1-3, 9-14, 21-22 and 27-28 over any reference of record, and all remaining claims are believed allowable. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment, reconsideration of the final rejection of claims 1-3, 9-14, 21-22 and 27-28, the objection to claims 4-7, 15-20 and 23-25 and allowance of the application to issue.

Should the Examiner believe anything further may be required, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the local telephone number listed below for a telephonic or personal interview to discuss any other changes.

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Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510 and advise us accordingly.

Respectfully Submitted,

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